seph Mayhew, the neighbor of the assaulted women, corroborated their testi-mony as to coming to his house for pro-tection immediately after being assaulted, stating that they were under great excite-ment and that on the neck of Mrs. Hefflin

were the prints of some one's fingers.

Mr. T. H. Lion stated that White was left-handed, Mrs. Elliott having testified that the prisoner heid his pistol in his left hand.

Jailer Payne testified that he had heard conversation between White and Robin-on in jall in which White contended that his victim, Mrs. Elliott, was much the more frightened of the two assaulted

This concluded the testimony on behalf of the state and then counsel for the defendant sprung a genuine surprise on the court by stating that, relying upon the exceptions by stating that, reight upon the exceptions already taken in the case and confident that a new trial would be granted their client by the court of appeals, they would decline to either introduce witnesses on his behalf or argue the case before the jury, whether counsel for the state argued

the case or not.

"Counsel for the state suggested that the witnesses summoned on behalf of the prisoner be called to show that they were present, ready to testify. That was done and then after the law relating to the crime charged had been read to the jury they retired at 12:27 to consider the case.

White Convicted. The jury returned at 12:41, and in answer to the formal question of the clerk stated that they found White guilty, and fixed his punishment at death. The verdict was read by the clerk in perfect silence, Judge Lipscomb having cautioned the crowd that he wanted to hear no demonstration of approval or disapproval, no matter what the verdict should be.

Notwithstanding the fact that White had Notwithstanding the fact that White had undoubtedly anticipated the verdict rendered, yet, as the jury entered the room, he anxiously scanned each man's face, evidently hoping that after all the jury had decreed imprisonment instead of death. When he heard his doom pronounced, however, he did not wince, but resumed his position of bowed head and his habit of nervously toying with his old hat ously toying with his old hat.

usual motions for new trial and in arrest of judgment were made after the jury had been polled and promptly over-ruled, and then a recess was taken until 3 o'clock, when Judge Lipscomb will name the day of the execution of the two men. It is expected that he will set some day in the latter part of next month, so as to al-low the court of appeals time in which to act upon the application of the two men for

#### THE ITATA SEZURE.

A Decision Against the United States by the Mixed Commission.

The mixed commission which has been considering the claim of the South Angerican Steamship Company against the United States government in the now famous Itata case rendered a decision this morning. The commission has been holding its sessions in the building occupied by the bureau of American republics opposite the War, State and Navy building. The commission overruled the demurrer

interposed by Judge Shields, counsel of the United States, to the claim of the South American Steamship Company for 147,000 damages growing out of the seizure of the Itata at San Diego in the summer of 1891. This demurrer was based upon the claim that the seizure was made with probable cause and that, the Itata being in the employ temporarily of the junta govern-ment of Iquique, the government of Chile itself was responsible for any damage that might have been done the company.

The counsel for the Chilean government

argued that this proposition could not be accepted for the reason that the vessel ceased to be in the employ of the provisional government when she became unable to complete her undertaking, and that the applied to this case because the vessel had been released by the United States courts upon the ground that no violation of law had been committed.

The commissioners held the case under ent for several weeks and rendered their decision this morning. Mr. Sherburne G. Hopkins of this city is the attorney for the claimant and all that remains for the company to do now is to prove the extent of the damages sustained by it through the seizure of its vessel.

# THE KEARSARGE GUNS.

Not the Ones Employed in the Celebrated Alabama Fight.

sympathy over the two eleven-inch smoothbore guns that were lost in the lamentable who investigated the matter, said to a Star reporter today that the two eleven-inch guns used by the Kearsarge in the engage-ment with the Alabama were landed at the ment with the Alabama were landed at the Mare Island, Cal., navy yard in October, 1870, and have since remained there un-

Their places on the Kearsarge were taken by two eight-inch muzzle-loading rifles, converted from eleven-inch smooth bore guns. The battery of the Kearsarge when she went to pieces consisted of two eight-inch muzzle-loading rifles, four nine-inch smooth bores and one sixty-pounder breech-loading rifle with breech-loading rifle, with a secondary bat-tery of one three-inch Howitzer and one short Gatling.

short Gatling.

Since the Alabama affair the armament of the Kearsarge has undergone several changes, and she has carried eleven-inch guns other than the celebrated ones now treasured at the Mare Island navy yard.

These are two of these guns in particular There are two of these guns in particular that have frequently been mistaken for the originals. One is at the New York navy yard and the other is at the Naval

Academy.

They have both formed part of the bat- Testimony to Be Taken in the Pollardtery of the Kearsarge, but neither of them was on her in the fight with the Alabama. This fact is not generally known, how-ever, and the two guns have been deco-rated on national holidays and treated with the greatest deference and tenderness be cause of their mistaken identity.

#### THE BENHAM RESOLUTION. It is Said That Mr. Reed May Oppose

It. Representative Money, who recently introduced the resolutions complimenting Ad- will commence on Thursday morning and miral Benham for his prompt action in Rio will probably take up four or five days. harbor, expects Mr.Reed to oppose the reso- Seventy witnesses, among them being Reed has stated that he would have objected to the immediate consideration of the jected to the immediate consideration of the resolution at the time it was introduced had not Representative Simpson of Kansas done so. The Maine Congressman insists that the resolution should be carefully considered by the naval committee. The latter body has favorably reported the resolution and it will soon be considered in the House. Whether Mr. Reed will then resist it on its merits is not certain, though the friends of the resolution expect this resistance.

### THE METROPOLITAN LINE.

The Proposed Change to an Underground Electric or Cable System.

The subcommittee of the House District committee this morning heard Mr. Britton tional Association of Master Builders was of Britton and Gray in behalf of the bill which authorizes the Metropolitan Railroad Company to put in a system of underground electric trolley on the 9th street line. Mr. Britton said that the company desires to have the privilege of using either electricity or cable in the conduit, asks for one year within which to make the change and asks a further extension of time for the change on the F street line to two years. He said this is desirable because the work on 9th street should be given a full trial before making the change on F street. No action was taken by the subcommit-

Gone to the Associated Press.

CHICAGO, Feb. 13.-The Louisville Com-

Thirteen Miners Entombed by a Cave-in at Plymouth, Pa.

LITTLE HOPE OF RESCUING THEM ALIVE

Scenes at the Mouth of the

ESCAPE OF SOME

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Feb. 13.-An exslope of the Kingston Coal Company, Plymouth, this morning. Rescuers are hard at work. There is little hope of getting the men out alive.

The Gaylord mine or slope has been considered an ill-fated colliery for more than a year past. Only a month ago there was an explosive cave-in of the surface which weakened the roof of the whole mine. So far as can be learned the accident today was caused by a further depression of the surface. This, in time, caused the roof of the chambers of the mine to fall, shutting off all means of escape for those men who were within the cave-in circle.

The superintendent of the mine reports that thirteen men are entombed, but seventeen are missing. A number of men work-ing in another part of the mine heard the rumbling sounds of the cave-in and were fortunate enough to escape.

The relatives of the entombed men are

reach the entombed men.

The following are the names of the men mas Leyshon, Michael Welsh, Peter

McLaughlin, John Ari er, Dan Morgan, Jos-eph Ords, Thomas Picton, Thomas Jones, Richard Davis, John Morris, James Kingdon, Thomas Morrison, Thomas Cole.

Nearly all are married, with large families. It is now believed all the men were caught in the falling coal and are dead.

the other workers by about two feet, making a sort of dividing wall between him and his companions. Immediately after the roof had fallen in he could hear the men who were entombed groaning, then all was silent. He ran and save the air mand the whole and to further report what action in their judgment, should be taken by the House, and to further report what action, if any, should be taken by Congress." stlent. He ran and gave the alarm, and the work of rescue was at once begun. At no time is it believed was there any hope of taking the men out alive. At this writing, at 1:30 p. m., the workers are still at any time. working hard.

#### FIRE AT BATH IRON WORKS. None of the Vessels Being Built There

Destroyed. BATH, ME., Feb. 13.-Fire caught in the joiners' shop of the Bath iron works at 2:30 o'clock this morning. It spread to shop No. 2, and from there to the bending shop. About two-thirds of the plant has been destroyed. The loss is estimated at \$40,000. The flames were under control at 3:30 o'clock. The safe was saved from the office by rolling it out into the snow. The steamer City of Lowell, lying at the wharf, was badly scorched. Treasurer Hyde says the company will not rebuild here. From 600 to 700 men are thrown out of employment.

Chief Nickborn of the bureau of construc tion and repair, Navy Department, today received the following dispatch from the

"Joiners', mould loft, platers', windlass and furnace shops burned flat. Shipping saved. Particulars later."

This was signed by N. H. Junkins, carpenter in charge of government work. A telegram of sympathy of the bureau was

sent in reply.

The government has at this works the American ram Katahdin. It is thought that the government work will not be seriously delayed by the fire. A big sound steamer and a \$300,000 yacht under construction at the works will be delayed. It is believed here that the works will not be rebuilt at Bath. New London Coan her sent in reply. rebuilt at Bath. New London, Conn., has offered inducements to the company to remove their plant to that point, and it is expected that they will do so.

# STORMING AT NEW YORK.

There has been a good dead of misplaced Cold Weather, Hard Winds and Snow

at Gotham. NEW YORK, Feb. 13.-The much talked wreck of the gallant ship Kearsarge en of and delayed blizzard reached Gotham Roncador reef. It was generally supposed yesterday evening and introduced itself to that they were the guns that had contribu- the inhabitants of Manhattan in no unted so much toward the destruction of the certain manner, although it was far from the funds in different channels or to meet rebel cruiser Alabama. Such, however, is a record breaker. Snow fell to the depth not the fact. Those valuable relics are still of several inches and the winds howled in the possession of the government and are around and kicked up drifts at the street not likely to be trusted again on board of corners, blew off hats and anything else any of Uncle Sam's ships. Mr. Brummett, that was loose. All night it kept up the chief clerk of the naval ordnance bureau, merry dance, and at 9 o'clock this morning 1 2-10 feet of snow had fallen and covered the streets to serious annoyance of pedes-

trians and surface car lines.

No great delays occurred, however, and stores and offices were as a rule opened at the regular time. Incoming trains from the east and north were more or less behind time and the mails were anything but regu-lar. Reports from outlying towns show that nothing serious was done by the storm, though it caused a deal of inconvenience. So far as could be learned no disaster has occurred to shipping near this port. Ocean steamships were slow in arriving. At 11 o'clock only two have been reported. Many ships were then due. It was believed they had anchored outside until the storm

Nearly three feet of snow fell throughout the suburbs of Jersey City last night and this morning. All trains running into Jer-sey City over the Erie, Pennsylvania and D., L. and W. railroads are coming late.

# DEPOSITIONS AT LEXINGTON.

Breckinridge Case.

The object of her visit is to take depositions in the Breckinridge-Pollard case.

Col. Breckinridge's interests will be looked after by Desha Breckinridge and C. H. Stoll. The work of taking the depositions lard will attempt to substantiate the charges in her suit in rebuttal.

Col. Breckinridge will introduce a score or more of witnesses. Just who these people are The Star correspondent was unable to learn. The depositions will be taken in Judge Frank Bullock's office. Maj. John Shelby, Col. Breckinridge's law partner, says he will not be present.

The coming trial is the chief topic of discussion here. Private information from Washington is to the effect that it will not be called till April 2 or 3. Miss Pollard will not be ready for trial until them.

not be ready for trial until then.

Master Builders at Boston BOSTON, Feb. 13.-The first session of the eighth annual convention of the Naheld in Mechanics' building this morning. President Ira G. Persey presided. E. Noyes Whitcomb, president of the Master Builders' Association of Boston. delivered the in-troductory address, after which Mayor Na-than Matthews of Boston delivered an ad-

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Feb. 13.-The surgeons of the Seney Hospital state this morning that the condition of Corporal James Tanner, whose legs were recently reamputated, has slightly improved.

Ex-Commissioner Tanner Better.

For the Relief Fund. The chairman of the committee on can

The House Committee Favor Investigating Judge Jenkins.

A Report to That Effect Will Be Presented at the House Session Tomorrow.

The House committee on judiciary today voted in favor of reporting to the House a resolution for an investigation into the course of United States District Judge Jenkins in restraining employes of the Northern Pacific railroad from quitting work. The vote was close-7 to 6. Senator Vilas of Wisconsin appeared before the committee and urged that the question was tensive cave-in occurred at the Gaylord of such importance that it should not be voted on until counsel had been heard.

In accordance with this suggestion a mo tion was made to postpone the vote until next Monday, and in the meantime hear counsel. This was voted down by 7 to 6, and the resolution was then agreed on, to be reported at once. Had the proposition to hear counsel prevailed, Col. Robert Ingersoll would probably have appeared for the labor interests, and several prominent lawyers for the other side. The resolution reported is a substitute for the one introduced by Representative McCann, but dif-fers little from that originally presented. It authorizes the judiciary committee to carry on the investigation into Judge Jenkins'

The Resolution Adopted. The substitute for the McGann resolution

is as foliows: "Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary of the House be authorized and directed to speedily investigate and inquire gathered at the mouth of the slope, and their cries of distress would move the stoutest heart. Everything is being done to the issuance of the writ of injunction in the case of the Farmers' Loan and Trust Co. against the Northern Pacific Railroad Company, and the several matters and company, and the several matters and things referred to in the said resolution, and report to this House whether or not in any of said matters the Hon. J. G. Jenkins, judge of the United States circuit court for the seventh circuit, has exceeded his authority, abused the powers or process of said court or oppressively exercised the same, or has used his office to intimidate or wrongfully restrain the em-Cuddy's Narrow Escape.

John Cuddy, who was at work with the entombed men, escaped with his life by a hair's breadth. The fall cut him off from the other workers by about two feet, mak-In addition the committee is authorized to send for persons and papers, to conduct the investigation by a subcommittee or by full committee and to report to the House

Reported Tomorrow. Representative Boatner will present the resolution to the House tomorrow, accompanied by a formal report, that on examination of the petition and affidavits presented to Judge Jenkins and of the writ of injunction, it deems the matter of sufficient importance to demand investigation. This substitute was practically the one re-ported by the subcommittee, Representa-tives Boatner, Terry and Stone, but a clause

of their original draft stating that the ac-tion was taken to avoid such wrongs in the future was stricken out. It was thought best by the subcommittee to present a sub-stitute for the McGann resolution, because that resolution in its preamble seemed to them to assume that Judge Jenkins' action had been wrongful. For the same reason the committee did not want to take sides in advance of the investigation; the substitute and the report to be made on it are carefully worded. The

# THE LARGEST POST OFFICES.

The Plan Discussed of Y

that an investigation would be desirable.

of the subcommittee were agreed

making separate and specific appropriations for service in the ten largest cities of the country. The cities which would be includcago, Philadelphia, Boston, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Brooklyn, San Francisco, Baltimore, Pittsburg-ten which furnish 33 per cent of the revenues. First Assistant Postmaster General Frank Jones and Postmasters Dayton of New York and Kerr of Phil-

adelphia spoke.

The two postmasters outlined to the committee the difficulties incurred in the management of large offices under the present system. All disbursements have to be made under the direction of the department and there is ro discretionary power left to to these large offices, leaving the disburse-ment to the offices, it was represented, would be a more efficient and business-like would be a more efficient and business-like management. First Assistant Postmester General Jones said that heretofore it had been the duty of the Post Office Department to divide among the 68,000 post offices of the country the funds appropriated by Congress. It would be a relief to the Post Office Department, he said, to have the largest cities provided for specifically ten largest cities provided for specifically by Corgress. The appropriations should include provision for salary and allowances, rent, fuel and light and free delivery, but not supplies, which would have to be tracted for by the department, as under the present system. The sum appropriated should be deducted from the general estimates for postal service.

The Work Hampered. Appropriations for this year, it was said, had been cut down to such an extent that the offices were hampered by insufficient forces of carriers and clerks. Often special emergencies arose, like the arrival of ocean steamers, when it was advantageous to employ special aid. In the discussion which followed two suggestions were advanced, that specific sams should be ap-propriated for each of these cities and that iump sum should be given the ten, be apportioned by the Postmaster Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Feb. 13.—Miss Pollard will arrive in this city on Wednesday night and be met by her lawyer, Calderon Carlisle, who will come from Washington.

The object of her visit is to take denositions. a lump. The committee will resume consideration of the plan next Monday, when Postmaster General Bissell is expected to appear and probably present a bill embody-ing his views. Representative Dunphy of ing his views. Representative Dunphy of New York has introduced a bill providing for the same system, which the depart-ment may adopt with modifications.

# DISTRICT IN CONGRESS.

To Increase the Patrol Drivers' Pay. Senator Martin today introduced a bill, which was referred to the Discrict committee, providing for an increase of the pay of the thirteen police patrol drivers, three police ambulance drivers and one van driver of the District to \$50 a month each. The bill was accompanied by a letter from Patrick Fitzgerald and James E. Richmond, a committee of the Ambulance, Patrol and Van Drivers' Association. In this letter they state: "Our association comprises nineteen persons, who are appointed and assigned to duty directly under the control of the rolles department of the rolles department of the control of the police department of the District. The appropriation bill pro-vides for fifteen patrol drivers, three ambuvides for fifteen patrol drivers, three amou-lance drivers and one van driver. The pa-trol drivers receive \$30 per month, the van drivers \$40 per month, one of the ambulance drivers \$40 and the other two receive \$25 and it has been recommended by the each. It has been recommended by the major of police that the compensation for these nineteen men be put on the basis of \$50 per month each. The men compos-ing this force are all married men, having families dependent upon them for support, and the hours of labor are greater in number than those of any other employes of the District, they being required to work from twelve to eighteen hours per day."

As to Medical Colleges. A bill was introduced in the House today by Mr. Heard, by request, making it unlawful for any medical college claiming authority to confer or actually con-

Annual Convention of the National Woman's Suffrage Association.

COLORADO NOW STANDS WITH WYOMING

The Sessions Promise to Be More Interesting Than Ever.

DELEGATES COMING IN

The twenty-sixth annual convention of the National American Woman Suffrage Association, which is to commence at Metzerott Hall next Thursday morning, to last for a week, promises to be the most successful and interesting ever held by the association in this city. Every indication thony ("Aunt Susan," as so many of the suffragists are beginning to call her, now woman) is already here, but goes over to Baltimore this afternoon to be present at by far the larger number will not be here

another star to the flag of the association. Heretofore it has been a case of star and stripes, the star representing Wyoming, but since the last convention the state of Colorado has been trying her hand at woman suffrage and the result is that her star is to be added to that of Wyoming. Now, it so happens that the convention is to com-mence this year on Miss Anthony's birth-day, and her fellow workers, who are po-etic, even if they are wrapped up in the cause of suffrage, are planning to pre her with "Colorado enfranchisement of women" for a birthday present. The souvenir is to take the form of a handsome two-starred slik flag, to be presented on Thursday evening when the meeting to be presented. day evening, when the meeting is to be turned into a general jubilation over the victory of the year.

The government's recognition of woman on the board of managers for the world's columbian exposition, the world's congress of representative women—the greatest con on of women ever assembled-the parlicipation of women in the entire seri world's congresses, as well as the galling of woman suffrage in Colorado, are all looked upon as making the year one of unprecedented advance for the cause of women and as giving to their demand for political equality unusual prestige in the world of thought.

What the Delegates See.

With the question of woman suffrage pending in Kansas and New York, the delegates to the convention already in the city claim to see "the rays of two more stars peeping through the clouds of darkness and injustice, and soon to be added in all their brightness to the fair galaxy that represent the rights of woman."

On Friday afternoon there is to be a memorial service in honor of Mrs. Lucy Stone and others interested in the cause who have passed away during the year. A feature of the convention will be the unusual number of southern women who will take part, as showing the increased interest that is being taken in the question in this section of the country. Mrs. Mary Lowe Dickinson of New York, the secretary of the King's Daughters, is to come out openly for woman suffrage this year. Besides the presidents of the auxiliary state associations, the speakers invited to address the convention are: Mme. Fanny Zampini Salazar of Italy, and Mme Hanna Korany of Syria, who were delegates to the world's congress of Appropriations Separate.

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The Program in Detail.

The public sessions of the convention will ed in this arrangement are New York, Chi- be held at 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. every day except Sunday, when there will be a religious service at 3 o'clock in the afterncon. The morning sessions will be devoted to the transaction of the business of the association and the evening sessions

to addresses on various subjects. The program arranged for the convention is as follows: Thursday, February 15, executive committee meeting, 9 a.m. Morning session, 10 o'clock; convention called to order by the president, Susan B. Anthony; roll call of officers, vice presidents and state members of the executive committee, Alice Stone Blackwell, recording secretary; minutes of the closing session of the twentyfifth annual convention; appointment of committees on finance, courtesies, creden

tials and resolutions.

Evening, 8 o'clock.—Address of welcome. Evening, S o'clock.—Address of welcome, Mr. John W. Ross, president of the board of Commissioners of the District of Columbia; president's address, Susan B. Anthony.

Colorado—Our New Star: Mrs. Carrie Lane Chapman, New York; Mrs. L. M. Stansbury, vice president of the Colorado Suffrare Association, Mr. H. B. Blackwell, Mass.; Rev. Anna H. Shaw, Penn.; Senator Joseph M. Carey, Wyoming, Our Stars of 1894: Kansas and New York: Mrs. Laura M. Johns, Mrs. Jean Brooks, Greenleaf. M. Johns, Mrs. Jean Brooks Greenleaf. Friday morning, 10 o'clock.—Minutes. Report of credential committee, Harriet Taylor Upton. Report of corresponding secretary, Rachel Foster Avery. Report of treasurer, Harriet Taylor Upton. Report of southern committee, Miss Laura Clay. Afternoon, 3 o'clock.—Memorial service in memory of Mrs. Lucy Stone, Elizabeth Oakes Smith, Leland Stanford, Charles O'Neil, George W. Leiand Stanford, Charles O'Neil, George W. Childs. Addresses by Mrs. Julia Ward Howe and others. Evening, 8 o'clock.—Addresses: Mrs. Josephine K. Henry of 'Kentucky, "Woman Suffrage in the South"; Miss Elizabeth U. Yates of Maine, "Fashionable Thinking"; Mrs. Orra Langhorne of Virginia; Mme. Hanna Korany of Syria, "Woman Suffrage from an Oriental Standpoint"; Mrs. Mary Lowe Dickinson of New York, secretary of the King's Daughters. Saturday morning, 10 o'clock—Minutes. Proposed amendments to the by-laws. Presentation of invitations for the twenty-seventation of invitations for the twenty-seventh annual convention. Report of congressional committee, Susan B. Anthony. Report of presidential suffrage committee, H. B. Blackwell. Report of federal suffrage

H. B. Blackwell. Report of federal suffrage committee, Mrs. Clara Bewick Colby. Re-port of petition committee, Dr. Frances Dickinson. Report of press committee, Mrs. Ellen Battelle Dietrick. Evening, 8 o'clock—Address, Mrs. Miriam Howard Du Bose, "Some Georgia Curiosi-ties." Address, Miss Harriet A. Shinn, Illi-nois, president of the National Association. nois, president of the National Association of Women Stenographers, "Woman Suffrage from a Business Woman's Standpoint." Address, Dr. Sarah Hackett Stevenson, Illinois. Address, Rev. Anna H. Shaw. Sunday-Religious service, 3 p.m. Voluntary. Hymn; prayer; scripture lesson; hymn. Sermon, text: Eph. /1:2, "Put on the Whole Armor of God," Rev. Marion Murdock, Ohio. Colection; hymn. The music for this service will be under the direction of Prof. Henry Wheaton Howard. Monday-Morning, 10 o'clock. Minutes election of officers for the ensuing year: report of Kansas constitutional campaign committee, Laura M. Johns; report of committee on national headquarters, Eliza Titus Ward; report of Columbian exposi-tion committee, Rachel Foster Avery. Evening, 8 o'clock-Presidents' evening: Short addresses by Mrs. L. M. Stansbury, Colorado; Mrs. Bennett, District of Columbia; Mrs. Claudia Howard Maxwell, Georgia; Mrs. Laura M. Johns, Kansas; Miss Laura Clay, Kentucky; Mary Bentley Thomas, Maryland; Mrs. Emily B. Ketch-Thomas, Maryland; Mrs. Emily B. Ketch-um, Michigan; Mrs. Clara Bewick Colby, Nebraska; Mrs. Florence Howe Hall, New Jersey; Mrs. Jean Brooks Greenleaf, New York; Mrs. L. L. Blakenburg, Pennsylva-nia; Mrs. Virginia D. Young, South Caro-lina; Rebecca Henry Hayes, Texas; Mrs. Emeline B. Wells, Utah; Mrs. Etta Grymes Farrah, Virginia. Tuesday morning, 10 o'clock: Minutes:

report of committee on enrollment, Mrs. Louise Southworth; report of committee on press work for the convention, Mrs. Har-riet Taylor Upton; report of resolutions committee; discussion of resolutions. Even-ing, 8 o'clock: Address, Mrs. Mary Seymour Howells, New York, "Campaigning; address, Simon Wolf, District of Columbia

GROVE'S SEDUCTIVE SCHEMES.

He Says There Are Millions in H Mines-No Rush for the Stock. It does not appear that the colored peo taken stock in the seductive mining schemes of Charles P. Grove, the colored man who is endeavoring to induce colored people to buy stock in his mines for \$5 a share. Grove figured out today to a Star reporter that 500 men whom he expected to put at work in his mines would produceabo \$180,000 a day or something like \$60,000,000 a year, not counting Sundays. All that seemed to be needed was enough people to pay \$5 each to Mr. Grove for stock in order to set this great money mill in motion.

Still, there has been no rule to buy the stock, although here and there a poor colored man has scraped together enough to buy a share. He denied that the men who were induced to go from Chicago to the so-called Grove City, the location of these called Grove City, the location of these wonderful mines, were in the pitiable condition described in a dispatch to the Chicago Heraid, quoted in yesterday's Star, and showed a letter purporting to come from two of the men and dated February 2 expressing satisfaction with their condition. Grove said that the only men who had not remained were four "dues," who did not know how to work He claimed points to a large attendance of delegates and others interested in the work from all parts of the country. Miss Susan B. Anthony ("Aunt Susan," as so many of the Grove is a colored man of not very imposing appearance. Notwithstandin that she is growing old in the cause of dealings in mining properties representing according to his statements such vast wealth, he modestly wears a lusterless paste diamond. He asserts that what he

by far the larger number will not be here until tomorrow.

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While engaged in explaining his schemes for the benefit of his race, Mr. Grove is shrewdly keeping a lookout for the \$5 bills. Notwithstanding the attitude he has taken as a philanthropist, there are some of his own race who are unkind enough to speak of him as a fraud, and who claim

### TAKOMA PARK CHARTER.

and Montana that justifies the use of the

A Citizens' Meeting Last Evening Act Upon Proposed Amendments.

to have received information from Ch

term.

For the past two months the mayor and council, in connection with the Public Welfare Citizens' Association of the Maryland portion of Takoma, have been actively engaged in revising and amending the town charter. The old charter restricted the powers of the mayor and council to the detriment of public interests, and these defects, it is believed, have now, in a measure, been remedied.

A public meeting of the citizens was called for last evening to ratify the action of the committee, and despite the unfavorable weather conditions, the citizens of that suburban town showed their appreciation suburban town showed their appreciation of the importance of the matter by turning out in goodly numbers. Mr. Enoch Maris, the mayor of Takoma Park, was chosen chairman, and Mr. Geo. A. Warren, secretary. Mr. Morris Bien, on behalf of the Public Welfare Association, ably set forth the scope and advantages of the amendments under discussion, which debate was participated in by Messrs. Dyer. Sumwas participated in by Messrs, Dyer, Summy, Judd, Lewis, Kinnear, Finch, Ford and many others. With a few minor changes, the report of the committee was accepted, and the amendments to the char-

A committee, consisting of Mayor Maris,
Mr. Bien and Col. Foot, were appointed
to present the amended charter to the
Maryland legislature, which is now in
session, and strenuously urge its enactment as the law. Takoma Park is a wide awake community, and the citizens matters affecting the public welfare are

#### THE POTOMAC FLATS. Maj. Davis Objects to Their Use as Fish Ponds.

The House appropriations co day received a communication from Gen. Casey transmitting a letter from Maj. Davis objecting to the proposition of Fish Commissioner McDonald to make a park Commissioner McDonald to make a park and fish ponds on the reclaimed Potomac flats. Maj. Davis says that the mistake Later on a little buying a reaction of 1-2 which Mr. McDonald makes arises from occurred, carrying May up to 59 3-8. thinking that the principal and only object is to make the flats, while really the rasin object is to provide the required low water sectional area, and the heights and grades established for the filling are subsidiary thereto and are computed to accommodate the material dredged from the channels. About 1,000,000 cubic yards are to be dredged, and if not deposited here must be towed down the river at an additional cost.

It is a mistake, he says, to fill up the marshes with solid matter and then die marshes with solid matter and then dig them out in places. It will take some years for the material deposited there to be con-solidated, and the long, low-lying penin-

solidated, and the long, low-lying penin-sula will be damp for many years and not particularly salubrious. The proper plan would seem to be to so arrange the sur-face grades that the water will drain off rapidly, and the whole effort should be directed to making this land as solid and dry

PREPARING THE REPORT. Senator Morgan Has Commenced the Work on the Hawaiian Investigation. Senator Morgan today began work upon the preparation of his report upon the investigation recently conducted by the committee on foreign relations into the Hawaiian affair. This will probably occupy him for at least a week, if not longer, but it is hoped by the republicans that the committee will be able to report to the Senate

before the tariff bill has been reported from the committee on finance. Mr. Morgan has been requested by the committee to prepare the report, and it would appear from this fact that there would be ut one report. Other members of the com mittee say that they cannot, however, say how this may be until the report is ready for inspection. All, however, express great confidence in Senator Morgan's full knowledge of the questions, both of fact and of technique, and his disposition to treat all

# THIRTEEN-INCH GUN.

The Powder is Here and the Test Will Soon Be Made.

The powder intended for use in the trial of the first of the thirteen-inch guns has arrived at the navy yard at last and there is no longer any impediment to the trial beyond the difficulty of transferring the gun from the navy yard to the proving grounds at Indian Head. That difficulty will be easily overcome by the construction of steel tracks at both places. Some ap-prehension is felt about putting the gun on the truck which is to carry it on board the barge which takes it down to Indian Head. The date of trial has not yet been fixed, but it will not be delayed much longer now that the ammunition has arrived.

FINANCE AND TRADE. Telephone Stocks.—Pennaytes and Potomec. 4 American Graphophone. 2th bid.
Miscellaneous Stocks.—Washis

of Washington have in any large numbers Sugar Trust Stockholders' Meeting Tomorrow.

> INTEREST IN THE ANNUAL REPORT Prices in Wall Street a Tritle

> > Improved.

GENERAL MARKET REPORTS.

Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. NEW YORK, Feb. 13 .- Prospects of a tax on sugar, a slight improvement in the price of wheat and the withdrawal of all opposition to the Reading reorganization scheme were the ruling factors in today's trading. Prices generally were improved by a moderate infusion of bullish sentiment, but traders alone were responsible for the advance. The market shows no signs of broadening and professionalism is as pronounced today as it was during the early debates on the tariff question. The bull pool, said to have been quietly at work in the state convention there. Others of the is doing, he is doing for colored people, in advance guard began to arrive today, though a philanthropic way. He wants to give pose of creating a market for certain pose of creating a market for certain Washington advices of the more conserva-

tive class do not consider the trust's chances of securing any material alterations in its favor so good as formerly, as several members of the subcommittee are of the opinion that they have already sufficient revenue

from other sources.

The adjourned meeting of stockholders called for tomorrow will probably again adjourn for want of a quorum, and the report of the company's earnings will continue a mystery to all but the officials, now so correctly vigording it from public care. so carefully guarding it from public gaze and comment.

A report from the west that notices posted on the pay car of the Chicago, Burling-ton and Quincy railroad announcing that operatives would be paid on the 11th in-stant had suddenly been torn down led to some wild rumors concerning that prop-erty. Boston advices gave the assurance necessary to prevent any slump in price by announcing that the company had more than enough money on deposit in that city to meet these payments, and while not at-tempting to explain the withdrawal of the notices further treated the matter as insignificant. The directors of this road meet next week to take action on the divi-dend due next month. The question now is whether the old rate of 1 1-4 per cent will be continued or the stock marked down

to a 4 per cent basis.

A selling movement in National Cordage. in which traders took the upper hand, drop-ped the price of that stock off 3 per cent to 13 3-4. The weakress in the preferred was even more pronounced, but no special reason was assigned for the break. The securities of the Reading Company were all strong at slight advances, the stock selling up to 22 1-8 on considerable good buying by Philadelphia houses.

The market for sterling is very firm, with

rates fully 1-4 per cent higher than those of yesterday. The strength is attributable to an increased inquiry from remitters and the continued scarcity of commercial bills. Money on call ruled at 1 per cent and time loans vary from 2 1-2 to 3 1-2 per cent, according to the length of time desired and the character of collaterals. The clearing house statement shows: Exchanges, \$77,-024,239; balances, \$4,470,052, and the subtreasury's debit balance, \$860,050.

The market rallied during closing hour, and in a majority of instances fractional net gains were reco The closing was dull and without inter-

Wheat Again Down. low price record for May at 58 7-8 today. humber 36 were to fill vacancies caused by feeling was weak and the selling general.

esting feature.

Silver in London. LONDON, Feb. 13.-Bar silver closed at 291-2d, per ounce. The amount of bullion gone into the Bank of England on balances

today, £73,000. FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

The following are the opening, the highest and the lowest and the closing prices of the New York stock market today, as reported by Corson & Macartney, members New York stock exchange. Correspondents Messrs. Moore & Schley, No. 80

Stocks.		nign.	LOW.	Close.
American Sugar	80%	821	80%	82%
American Sugar, pfd		58%	82%	88 1
American Tobacco	71%	72	7136	72
American Cotton Oil				
Atchison	113	11%	113	113
Canada Southern	493	491	491	493
Canada Pacific			SHOP	3.0
Chesapeake and Ohio	17	17	163	16%
C. C. C. and St. L	35%	85%	35%	85%
Chicago, B. and Q	74%	75%	745	743
Chic. and Northwestern.	1013	1023	1013	101 %
Chicago Gas	64	643	64	643
C., M. and St. Paul	56%	57	55%	55%
C., M. and St. Paul, pfd.				0074
C., R. I. and Pacific	65%	657	65	65%
Del., Lack. and W	- Total			00%
Delaware and Hudson		1361	136	1000
Denver and Rio Grande.		100%	130	136%
Dis. and Cattle Feeding.		901	*****	
General Electric		2914	28%	2914
Illinois Central		363	35	36
Inha Shore	*****	*****		*****
Lake Shore		195%	125	1251
Erie	15%	15%	15%	15%
Louisville and Nashville.	45%	45%	45	45%
Long Island	****	****	*****	*****
L., N. A. and Chicago	222**	22277	22222	*****
Manhattan Elevated	121	121	121	121
Michigan Central	911	9734	97%	8734
Missouri Pacific	2236	35.4	22	29
National Lead Co	28%	291	28%	2934
National Cordage Co	16%	16%	18%	18%
National Cordage, pfd	*****	80	80	30
New Jersey Central		** **		*****
New York Central	97	98%	97	98%
N Y. and New England.	1136	12%	1136	113
N. Y., C. and St. Louis	*****	151	15	15%
Northern Pacific	*****			
Northern Pacific, pfd	17	17	16%	16%
North American	4	4	4	4
Ont. and Western	*****	15%	15%	15%
Pacific Mail		1736	16%	1734
Phila. and Reading	2136	221	21%	21 %
Pullman P. Car Co			70	21.74
Richmond Terminal	3%	8%	3%	3%
Southern Pacific		223	223	223
Texas Pacific	837	8%		82.76
Tenn. Coal and Iron	18	183	18	84
Union Pacific	1736	1736		18%
Wabash		1172	1736	1734
Wabash, pfd	192	100	70-	
Wheeling & Lake Erie	18%	18%	18%	18%
Wheeling & L. E., pfd	19%	12%	1234	
Western Union Tel	901	49	49	49
Wisconsin Central	82%	833	8874	8276
Wisconeil Central	*****	*****	****	

Washington Stock Exchange.

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The Trial of the Accused Today in the Police Court.

The case of Milton Chamberlain, the seventen-year-old boy who was arrested in December on charges of assaults on three young women on the Conduit road, as published in The Star at the time, was set for trial in the Police Court today.

The charges are on informations for simple assault, but when the cases were called Mr. Multown, the prosecuting officer, surprised Mr. Carrington, the boy's counsel, by stating that upon a full investigation of the case he had determined upon a change in the matter, and instead of the assault informations he had filled warrants charge in matter, and instead of the assault informations he had filled warrants charge in gassault with intent to commit rape.

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The counsel desired a postponement of the sevent constitutive to properly prepare for trial on the new charge. Judge Kimball, however, decided to proceed with the hearing, Miss Elsie E. Ough was the prosecuting witness, and gave an account of the affair.

Miss Annie Cassell, who lives to the local closed. The court continued the case until tomorrow to hear it as arguments.

Secretary Carillel Goes to Norfolk.

The steamer New York arrived at New port News this morning, to be locked and repaired. The Vesuvius went to Norfolk for coal and torpedoes. The Majole went to Norfolk for coal and torpedoes. The Majole went to Norfolk for coal and torpedoes. The Majole went to Norfolk.

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Baltimore Markets.

BALTIMORE, Feb. 13.—Flour dull, unchanged—receipis, 12,162 barrels; shipments, 4,002 barrels. Wheat firmer—spot, 80 1-2a 66 5-8; February, 60 1-2a60 5-8; May, 63 1-2a 63 5-8; steamer No. 2 red, 56 3-4557—receipts, 4,234 bushels; stock, 1,208,600 bushels; sales, 171,000 bushels; milling wheat by sample, 00a61. Corn steady—spot, 41 1-8a1 1-4; February, 41a41 1-8; March, 40 3-4a40 7-8; May, 41 3-4a41 7-8; steamer mixed, 40a40 1-4—receipts, 46,150 bushels; stock, 824,501 bushels; sales, 65,000 bushels; stock, 824,501 bushels, sales, 65,000 bushels; stock, 824,501 bushels, sales, 65,000 bushels; stock, 824,501 bushels, No. 2 white western, 32 1-2; No. 2 mixed western, 33 1-2a33 3-4—stock, 185,922 bushels. Rye quiet—No. 2, 50—stock, 35,486 bushels. Hay steady—good to choice timothy, 515.00a 515.50. Grain freights steady, with parcel room more active, unchanged. Sugar strong—granulated, \$4.62 1-2 per 160 pounds. Butter firm—fancy creamery, 27a28; 60. imitation, 20a22; do. ladie, 17a18; good ladie, 15a 16; store packed, 12a14. Eggs steady—fresh, 15a16; cold storage, 7a10; ilmed, 8a10. Cheese firm—fancy New York, 12 1-ta18 5-8. Chicago Grain and Provision Markets. Reported by Slisby & Co., bankers and brokers. Metropolitan Bank building:

Baltimore Marke

The following were the reading thermometer at the weather bureau 8 a.m., 28; 2 p.m., 56; maximum, 56; mum, 26 THE MARSHAL'S OFFICE.

Changes That Will Take Effect on Thursday Next. It is denied by the friends of Mr. Don Clagett, and also at the marshal's office that there is any foundation for the statement that he is to be the chief deput The resignations of the balliffs and deputi called for on the 7th instant have all be

handed in, and (with the exception of one accepted to take effect at once) will take effect on Thursday. CAPITOL TOPICS.

Reorganization of the Union Pacific The Senate committee on Pacific railroad has been in session the greater part of the day listening to the explanation of a prop-osition for the reorganization of the Union Pacific railroad which is made by M. Boisse vain on behalf of the Holland bondh who hold about \$30,000,000 of the road's first mortgage bonds. The proposition which he makes to the committee is for an extension of the government loan for 100 years at a low rate of interest, three per cent, if the interest is not to be compounded, or two per cent if it is to be. The company is to be allowed to operate the system intact, including the main line and its branches, and the bonds to the government are to be allowed. the bonds to the government are to be se-cured by the entire system, and not by the main line alone as at present. The bond-holders also agree to reduce the first mort-gage bonds to an average of about \$10,000 per mile on the main line and its branches.

Fourth-Class Postmasters The total numb death and resignations and the rem

The Maryland appointments were as follows: Eckert Mines, Mrs. Mary Neff. vice Catherine Simons, removed; Lacksville, J. C. Lamar, vice Sarah E. Dronenberg, removed; Loreley, C. W. Peterson, vice C. H. Chisholm, resigned; Poolesville, A. P. Fletchall, vice J. H. Allmitt, removed. The Virginia appointments were as follows: Clover Hill, Daniel Smith, vice Elisabeth Hughes, dead; Passapatanas, Mus. A. Elkins, vice H. A. Jones, removed Yancy Mills, M. W. Wallace, vice J. N.

Robinson, resigned. The Children Want Their Intere Anrie C. M. McCartney, W. F. Fistel and Mary J. Collin, children of Wm. Fletcher and Mary J. Collin, children of Wm. Fletcher by his first wife, by Messrs. Hugh Taggert, Robt. Christy and W. V. R. Berry, have filed a bill against Susan Fletcher and her children to recover a one-seventh interest each in the real estate of their father. The bill prays that Mrs. Fletcher disclose what property she had at the time of marriage and how she came in possession of the property in question.

the property in question. Inventors in This Seetle

Patents were granted today to Washin ton inventors as follows: William Q. Walker, design for watch box; Henry L. Merwood, bicycle; Geo. R. J. Newman, combined car and airbrake coupling. Patents were issued to Marylanders as follows: Dallas B. Hayward, Easton, electrical conductor; Edward L. Tarsch and J. R. Lee. Baltimore, design for badge-heading; Karl F. G. Moire, Baltimore, machine for boring cores to be framed; Michael J. O'Sullivan, Baltimore, electric railway crossing signal; James S. Patten, Baltimore, thill-coupling; Arthur W. Robinson, Baltimore, lamp trimmer and regulator; Wm. T. Smith, Baltimore, wood-working machine.

Patents were granted to Virginians to-Gay as follows:
Fablan H. Armistead, Roanoke, unicycle;
William A. Leary, Norfolk, dry kiln; Philip
S. Riddelle, Woodstock, revolving window
sash; Henry W. Wildt, Alexandria, watch

Land Office Changes. Thomas Cromwell of Maryland, clerk in

from \$1,400 to \$1,200, and Abner F. Dun-nington of the District of Columbia was promoted from \$1,200 to \$1,400. Wilson Better. The son of Chairman Wilson of the ways and means committee has received a tele-gram from Kansas City stating that his

father's condition is so mitisfactory that the trip toward Mexico will be resumed Sales—regular call—12 o'clock m.—United States 4s, registered, \$2,000 at 113%. American Security and Trust 5s, \$1,000 at 100; \$1,000 at 100. Washington Gas B. Bonds, \$5,000 at 1184. Arlington Fire Insurance. 10 at 159. United States Electric Light, 1 at 125; 10 at 125. Washington Loan and Trust, 1 at 126. American Security and Trust, 5 at 136.

mercial, one of the leading morning newspapers of the south, today signed a ninety-year contract with the Associated Press, of which it becomes a member. It at the same tically over. The cash receipts of the committee up to noon today amounted to \$12,-Press. The Associated Press service to the Commercial begins tonight.

The chairman of the committee on cannot incorporated under a special act of Congress to conduct its business in the District unless such college shall be registered by the District Commissioners and granted by them a written permit or register. All colleges now established are required to register within thirty days. port News this morning, to be locked and repaired. The Vesuvius went to Norfolk for coal and torpedoes. The Maple went to Norfolk with Secretary Carlisie and party.

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